

From: [Reynolds, Mary](#)
To: [Hodoh, Ofia](#); [LeSane, Heidi](#)
Subject: RE: FROM FEDERAL INMATE RHONDA FLEMING AT FCI - TALLAHASSEE IN FLORIDA
Date: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 9:55:00 AM

Wait, this may be the same person? The subject line says Rhonda Fleming, which is the person I responded to previously, but the email and signature says Malik...

I haven't found any information regarding the condemnation of any buildings due to mold. I didn't think we had that authority from an IAQ perspective. But maybe there was some from ECAD side?

My response would still be the same as the previous one. Contact state/local officials about mold/IAQ issues, contact code enforcement for prisons (whether that jurisdiction falls under local or the Federal Bureau of Prisons, I'm not sure), and notify FBP. Not sure what else we can do from a mold perspective. We don't have a lot of jurisdiction on that.

Thanks,
Mary

From: Hodoh, Ofia <Hodoh.Ofia@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 8:50 AM
To: Reynolds, Mary <Reynolds.Mary@epa.gov>; LeSane, Heidi <Lesane.Heidi@epa.gov>
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Any comments to offer on the attached request for assistance?

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Hi Carol,

Since the requestor mentioned the air quality/mold inside of the prison, ARD can take the lead on the response with ECAD's input about the asbestos allegation.

Thanks,
Caroline

From: Kemker, Carol <Kemker.Carol@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 8:13 AM
To: Russo, Todd <Russo.Todd@epa.gov>; Freeman, Caroline <Freeman.Caroline@epa.gov>; Mitchell, Ken <Mitchell.Ken@epa.gov>; Lamberth, Larry <Lamberth.Larry@epa.gov>; Newman, Keriema <Newman.Keriema@epa.gov>
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Caroline and Ken,

ECAD can provide language about the asbestos portion of the letter. We will work with FDEP on what the situation is regarding asbestos at the prison. I assume the email response may come from either division.

Thanks,
Carol

From: Blevins, John <Blevins.John@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 7:46 AM
To: Freeman, Caroline <Freeman.Caroline@epa.gov>; Kemker, Carol <Kemker.Carol@epa.gov>
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Sent: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 12:56 AM

To: Blevins, John <Blevins.John@epa.gov>; Thomas-Burton, Tami <Thomas-Burton.Tami@epa.gov>

Subject: FROM FEDERAL INMATE RHONDA FLEMING AT FCI - TALLAHASSEE IN FLORIDA

To Whom It May Concern:

There are people I care about at FCI-Tallahassee, a federal women's prison. Your agency has condemned several buildings due to the air quality being unsafe, with high levels of toxic mold and asbestos. I would like to know why inmates are still living in these buildings, 18 months or more, after your agency has filed reports stating the buildings are unsafe.

Please use your enforcement authority to remove inmates from these housing units. Many of them are very sick. At least 160 have filed tort claims with the Regional Counsel's Office for the Federal Bureau of Prisons, in Atlanta. The prison officials are aware of the problem and are doing nothing to protect the inmates.

Sincerely,

Malik

